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Dear Kevin,

I was glad to hear from you, as was Lil, who sat near the speakerphone during most of our conversation yesterday. From time to time she's wondered aloud when you might come up again.

And I'm glad to hear about the changes at AARC. I hope they have meaning.

If with his news background Fitzgibbons participates actively it may. If he is listened to. As you did not listen to me.

Learning and establishing fact are basic and are important. But if you look back on the assassination controversies doing that and making it available has informed many people but it has made no real difference in any other way. If one wants to do more one needs to try to understand how that can be done. On that you were holier than the pope and refused to listen. You said in effect that all that counts is investigating, which is what you are doing. You'll see that that alone leads to.

You from your silence, if you have even read it, and Jim from his record, are blind, for example, to the possibilities NEVER AGAIN! provides. If they are used. As I am not in a position to do. If I were I'd have held a press conference on it in April.

If you think that at this stage of my life I have any ego interest in any of this you are wrong. What I want is what has some possibilities of doing some good.

You did not listen on Hardin, either.

I'll not be writing any more on the King assassination but I'll also have nothing to do on it with what is either ego-tripping or what I believe is wrong. And I tell you that I think I have what can walk Ray. With all that means. I'm not giving it to anyone in whose use of it I have no confidence.

Afttr my 1989 heart operations and the new limitations I am under I did some rethinking. What I decided is anything but ego-dominated. I'm spending every minute I can trying to make as much of a record for history as I can. And I know it may never be looked at. But I also know that if it does not exist it cannot be. But I've spent no time on King for various reasons.

I hope you are not as disappointed with ARRB as you were with HSCA but the way you talked I believe that is inevitable. I think you should try to open your mind to what you have closed out of it and to give thought to what is not in your mind. If you want some real accomplishment.

You are wrong in dismissing the members as mere librarians. And you may have a good relationship with Marwell but he is not a mere librarian. I have no doubt he dominates the staff and what it does and does not do.

What it has done to now that I know of is no more than make a record of covring its ass by being in a position to say that it listened to everybody who wanted to be heard which it will say means it did all that could be done.

Its record is of refusing to do what even a librarian should understand should be done.

Almost all it has listened to are nuts who actually know very little about the assassination itself and care less about the fact of it.

For all the time you've spent in Washington and on the Hill you reflected last evening a lack of understanding of what can and cannot mean anything in terms of accomplishing anything.

If you, and I mean this also in the plural, want to really do some good you'd better do some rethinking and open you mind to what is not in it and you seem not only not to understand but do not want to understand.

If you send me what new you have on Hardin maybe I can see something in it that you have not. I'll not do anything with it or use it in writing. I'd have it on file but have no other use for it.

Your lack of interest in what I said about Hardin makes me wonder what can be in your mind about him. If you, singular or plural, think the FBI was behind the King assassination, that is silly. But I do believe that some deep thought on why if it was not by accident blurted out Hartingh told me he was an FBI symbol infomant.

By the way, Hartingh is not in the Atlanta city directories of the relevant years. A reporter friend then in Atlanta checked that out for me. He also is not mentioned in the Atlanta MURKIN file. I have it.

From what I've heard, that Pepper is writing a book and working on a show that will name the assassin, I see nothing but more futility and wrong in that.

As you know I've made no effort to learn what any of you is up to or involved in. Some comes to me and I have no way of knowing whether it is true. But if what little I've heard of more Kennedy-bashing is true you are all babes in the woods and are doing the exact opposite of what can have meaning or do some good. You all lack the basic political understanding and not one of you has made any effort of which I am aware to understand the political realities, political in the broadest sense. Despite the fact that the political situations are controlling.

I'd like you, individually and collectively to succeed but what little I know tells me you cannot the way you are going, again in the plural, and will not. I regret that. I hope you will let yourself think what I've said through and are able to.

Why not ask yourself why none of you has sent me any of the newly-disclosed records other than Jim in boasting of CD 1359 to see if I can feed back anything I see in any one of them because that is the fact.

I wish you well and hope you can some up,

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